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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 3727
Frank Dean)
Serial Number: 10/646,138)
Filed: August 22, 2003)
Title: GOLF BAG CARRIER FOR) Response Under Rule
A MOTORCYCLE) 37 CFR §1.111
Attorney Docket: MSH - 257) October 26, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2005, the applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application on the basis of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

The applicant has amended claim 1 to include the subject matter regarding the position of alignment of the golf carrier on the motorcycle. Support for this amendment can be found on page 2, lines 3 to 6. A Status of Claims is enclosed consisting of 4 pages and 12 claims. Applicant also includes a substitute page 5 wherein, it should be noted, the applicant has amended the trademark Ghost Brackets.

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 to 12 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Slifka (U.S. 5,207,361) in view of Brown (U.S. 6,698,635) in that Slifka teaches a golf bag carrier for a motorcycle and Brown teaches a more rigid and sturdy support rack.

The applicant takes the position that the claims are not obvious with regard to the combination of the references.